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## An Old Pioneer Gone.

Capt. J. J. Coleman died of old age at his home, near Bell school-house, last Tuesday morning. He would have been 83 years old had he lived until next February.

Capt. Coleman was a native of Virginia, but had lived in Chariton county since 1856. His wife preceded him to the Great Beyond several years ago, but six children are left to mourn the venerable father's death.

Appropriate funeral services were conducted on Wednesday by Rev. J. B. Rice, after which interment took place in Bennett graveyard, near the deceased's old homestead. Peace to his ashes.

## GREAT REDUCTION.

I am making great reductions in all departments of my mammoth establishment. Everything in the line of dry goods, clothing, boots, shoes, hats, gents' furnishings, white goods, embroideries, carpets, etc., will be sold at greatly reduced prices.

WM. ROSENSTEIN.  
Brunswick, Mo.

## A New Dry Goods Store.

A new enterprise is soon to be launched in Keytesville in the shape of a dry goods and notion store, of which Messrs. C. L. and T. F. White are to be the proprietors.

The latter gentleman is now in St. Louis buying a stock of goods. They will conduct business in the handsome store-room owned by O. B. Anderson and Judge W. W. Rucker, one door west of Agee Bros' grocery establishment.

Both members of the new firm are admirably popular, are thoroughly conversant with the business in which they will embark, and the COURIER bespeaks for them a liberal share of public patronage.

## BEST THING OUT.

Frike's wire stretchers and staple puller. Sold by the Keytesville Lumber Co. Call and see it.

The finest line of ladies' shoes in town at Chapman Bros'.

To those who read the erratic Signal it must be very amusing to observe the spectacle of the idiotic editor of that sheet berating the COURIER over a recent typographical error which appeared in our issue of Sept. 8th, concerning the dates of Dr. Walters, the oculist's, stay in Keytesville. The Signal's "holier than thou" editor should search the scriptures and learn to cast the beam out of his own eye, and then he could see clearly to remove the mote that is in his brother's optic.

## WOOD.

Parties desiring to pay their subscription to the COURIER in wood should bring it in now while the roads are good.

## WEDDING BELLS.

WOLLEY-CAYANAH—Mr. G. W. Woolley, of Brookfield, and Miss Martha Cavanah, of near Pe Dee, were married at the court-house, in Keytesville, on Wednesday, Sept. 20th, Judge H. C. Minter sealing the marriage vows.

CARNES-NICHOLS—Mr. Wm. Carnes and Miss Lou Etta Nichols, of Brunswick, were united in marriage, in that city, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, Elder J. P. Furnish officiating.

## Type-Writing.

All parties desiring job work done on the typewriter will please call on me at the Keytesville house, MINNIE GERHARDT.

Constable F. M. Venth went to Bee Branch township last Monday and arrested John Rodgers for running a ferry across the Chariton river at Buster's mill without license. Mr. Rodgers was brought to Keytesville and gave bond for his appearance before Squire Ewing the next day, when he acknowledged having run a ferry two different days without having procured the necessary license and was fined \$20 and costs for each day he ran it.

## Brunswick's New Calaboose.

While in Brunswick last Saturday afternoon, through the kindness of Alderman H. S. Freeman we were shown Brunswick's splendid, new calaboose, which has just been erected at a cost of \$700 to the city, John Carl being the architect.

The walls are of brick, 18 inches thick, the floor is laid in cement, the ceiling is constructed of 2x6 timbers put up edgewise, which, together with two Bessemer steel cells, make the structure decidedly secure, and a credit to the enterprise of Brunswick in her determination to punish those who violate the city's laws.

Mr. Carl has also just made some substantial improvements to the city hall, by order of the city council, in the way of new front steps and a new roof.

But the new calaboose is an especially strong and terrorizing sin receptacle for a town of no greater pretensions than our neighbor on the west, and our friends may expect a good report from us when we go to Brunswick hereafter.

## Pay Up.

All parties knowing themselves indebted to the undersigned either by note or account are requested to call and settle immediately. If settlement is not made very soon I shall put all accounts in the hands of J. A. Collet for collection, as I must have money to pay my indebtedness. Resp'y, J. P. TIPPETT.

## That Roll of Dishonor.

I had intended in my issue of Sept. 15th to publish a list of those to whom I had sent subscription statements on the 9th of last July, and who had not yet responded to my request "to please remit."

And while a very few of the large number to whom I sent statements have paid their dues, yet many have promised to do so at an early day, and, when I consider the stringency in money matters, I am disposed to extend every possible indulgence.

I sincerely hope, however, that those who have failed to square themselves on my subscription books will do so in the very near future, as I am very hard pressed for money on account of such poor collections.

I shall continue to publish from week to week a "Roll of Honor" of those who pay their subscription, and trust all of my delinquents will make a lively skirmish to appear on that list soon. Respectfully, C. P. VANDIVER, ED. COURIER.

## FARM FOR SALE.

A farm of 280 acres, as good land as can be found in Chariton county, well improved, 6 miles northwest of Keytesville. Will sell 200 or 80 acres separate, or all together. Desire to sell on account of old age. Terms to suit purchaser. Call at farm or address, WM. KUHLE, Brunswick, Mo.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

The following parties have caused the editor to smile since our last issue by either paying their subscription or becoming new subscribers to the COURIER. May Heaven bless 'em.

Miss Nellie Carmen, Harry Leonard and R. D. Vincent, Keytesville.  
Miss Eva Darrab, Guthrie Mills.  
C. M. Allego, Shannondale.  
L. A. Spencer, Forest Grove.  
L. B. Littleton, Brunswick.  
Morrison Hughes, Sumner.  
Misses Dollie Venable and Gay Hancock, Slater.  
Henry Jacobs and W. A. Leonard, Salisbury.  
Miss Alice Hancock, Belton, Mo.

When you want whiskey for medicinal purposes, try Kellogg's pure hand-made sourmash. It is the best.

Call and see J. T. Swain & Son in their new quarters. Their store-room is a model of neatness and they will supply you with anything in the line of groceries, harness, saddles, bridles, collars, whips, lap robes, etc., at RED ROCK PRICES.

## A TRAGEDY AT DALTON.

Town Marshal Wm. McKnabb Shot Last Sunday at Dusk by Lewis M. Legg, a Freight Train Brakeman.

Last Sunday morning W. J. Buchanan, a Wabash freight train conductor who runs a through freight between Moberly and Kansas City, and one of his brakemen, Lewis M. Legg, came up from Moberly to Dalton on No. 7, the St. Louis and Council Bluffs passenger train, and went down to the "cut-off," some five or six miles below Dalton, where they spent the day fishing.

They both returned to Dalton that evening expecting to return home on the Chicago "cannon ball" between 9 and 10 o'clock that night.

Shortly after their return to Dalton they repaired to Mrs. Minnie Arbogast's restaurant to get supper. As they entered the restaurant, Earl, a little 5-year-old son of G. W. McKnabb, a grass widower who is living at Dalton, ran playfully up to Legg with his hands up-lifted as if to push Legg back. Legg walked around the little fellow, when he turned and put his hands on the screen door, supposedly to prevent Legg's opening it, with a view to getting up a romp with him. Legg caught hold of Earl's arm and led him to one side, reaching to open the door with the other hand. As Legg let go the boy, the little fellow fell and commenced crying.

It seems that little Earl made his home with Wm. McKnabb, the Dalton marshal, and a half nephew of G. W. McKnabb, the boy's father.

Wm. McKnabb appeared upon the scene about this time, and asked Legg what he knocked the boy off the sidewalk for, when Legg replied: "I beg your pardon, I didn't knock him off the walk." McKnabb, however, insisted that he (Legg) had pushed the boy off the walk, and stated that he (McKnabb) would see him later.

With this McKnabb turned and walked out of the restaurant and up the street to a pool room of which he was the proprietor, armed himself with a heavy leather cane with an iron or steel rod running through it and started back down the street.

By this time Buchanan and Legg had ordered their supper, and walked out on the street until their evening meal could be prepared. They had not gone far when they met Wm. McKnabb, who again asked Legg why he knocked the boy off the sidewalk. A few words passed between McKnabb and Legg, and McKnabb insisted on settling the matter then and there.

Just here, Buchanan, who was standing between McKnabb and Legg, interfered, and laid his hand on McKnabb's breast and remonstrated with him "not to be too fast." But McKnabb's pugnacious tendency could not be allayed, and, striking over Buchanan, he dealt Legg a blow on the head with the cane, felling him to his knees, and inflicting a wound on his right temple.

Legg then quickly raised his pistol, a 32-calibre American bull-dog weapon, and fired, the ball passing through Buchanan's left ear. McKnabb pushed on upon Legg, when Legg fired a second shot, after which McKnabb knocked Legg off of the sidewalk, when Legg got up and fired the third shot. McKnabb reeled and staggered some 15 or 20 feet distant and fell in the grocery store door of F. C. Harke and soon expired.

Legg took to his heels and succeeded in making his escape, but arrived from Moberly Wednesday afternoon and surrendered himself to the authorities. On being taken before Squire S. P. Ewing he waived preliminary examination and was bound over to the grand jury at the October term of circuit court. The required bond of \$3,000 was furnished by Mayor Kagsdale, Police Judge McNinch, Chief of Police Lynch, S. T. Martin, T. Q. Afflick and W. J. Buchanan, all of Moberly.

The killing of McKnabb occurred about 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening, and the excitement over the affair ran high at Dalton for awhile, but

after the inquest was held the next morning a different light was thrown on the case and greatly in Legg's favor.

Shortly after the killing Harvey Herring, of Dalton, came to Keytesville and swore out warrants for the arrest of both Buchanan and Legg. Buchanan was brought to Keytesville the next day, but when the charges against him were investigated in Squire Ewing's court he was promptly discharged.

The following is the evidence in the case brought out at the coroner's inquest, held on McKnabb's dead body on Monday morning:

## TILLIE WINKLER

Testified: I was standing in about five feet of Messrs. McKnabb and Legg. Mr. McKnabb walked up and asked Mr. Legg what he pushed that boy off the walk for? I heard Mr. Legg say something but could not tell what it was. I then heard three shots, one after the other. After the second shot Mr. McKnabb ran and ran against the man who did the shooting and pushed him off the walk, and as he fell off the walk he fired one more shot. Mr. McKnabb then ran in an opposite direction from the man who did the shooting and fell in the store-house door of Mr. Harke. I have not examined McKnabb's body since I saw him fall in Mr. Harke's door, nor seen it until the present time which is at the coroner's inquest.

## W. J. BUCHANAN

Testified: I was standing between Mr. McKnabb and Mr. Legg. Mr. McKnabb came up in front of me with something in his hand which I took to be a stick or club of some kind. It looked as if it might be an axe-handle. Mr. McKnabb said: "Now, you s— of a b— we will settle this." Mr. Legg said to him: "You had better keep away or you'll get hurt." I put my hand on the breast of McKnabb and told him to hold on and not be too fast. He then struck at Mr. Legg over my head with the stick or club that he had in his hand. Mr. Legg then commenced shooting, and the first shot fired struck me in the left ear. I heard three shots fired, one after the other, and then saw Mr. McKnabb fall. I went to where he had fallen. He was not quite dead, but seemed to be gasping for breath. I think it was about a minute from the time I heard the last shot until he died. I know the man who did the shooting—his name is L. M. Legg.

## GEORGE MULLINIX

Testified: I was standing in two or three feet of Mr. McKnabb and Mr. Legg. Mr. McKnabb said to Mr. Legg: "Were you the gentleman who hit the boy?" Mr. Legg said: "Yes, sir, I am." Mr. Buchanan, who was also present, said to Mr. McKnabb "not to be too fast." Mr. McKnabb drew up his stick and Mr. Legg had his pistol, and I heard a shot followed by two more shots in succession. As Mr. Legg fired the second shot, Mr. McKnabb ran against him and pushed him off the sidewalk, where they were standing. Mr. Legg, the man who did the shooting, then commenced to run and I jumped off the sidewalk after him, and then I stopped and called to my uncle, James Winkler, and he and myself ran across the railroad track in pursuit of the man who did the shooting. He ran across Mr. Harke's field, right up the railroad. We followed him about 200 yards, and when we found we could not catch him, as it was getting dark, we turned and came back to where Mr. McKnabb had fallen, and when we got back he was dead. There was no one else close enough to hear the conversation between Mr. Legg and Mr. McKnabb, except Tillie Winkler, Mr. Buchanan, Mrs. McKnabb and myself.

## THE JURY.

The following is the jury at the coroner's inquest:

Wm. Kuhlman, Wm. Lynn, Arthur Lynn, John Kessler, Fred Koebken and J. J. Andrews, which returned the following verdict:

"The deceased came to his death

from a pistol shot fired by one L. M. Legg, which said pistol shot passed through the left subclavian artery close to the heart, inflicting a wound from which deceased died almost instantly."

Legg has lived in Moberly for the past year. He is married and is about 35 years of age, but has no children. He is a professional ball player, but has been bracking for Conductor Buchanan for the past several months. After making his escape Sunday evening he went to Brunswick, boarded a train at that place and went west, returning to Moberly Tuesday night.

Legg's friends, after learning that Prosecuting Attorney Wallace would consent to Legg's being admitted to bail, had no trouble in persuading him to surrender himself.

McKnabb, the dead man is 22 years of age, and was married to a Miss Winkler, of Dalton, about a year and a half ago, but had no children.

His remains were interred in the Dalton cemetery Monday afternoon.

## A Horse on Moseley.

Among the Keytesvillians who attended Sells Bros' circus, at Salisbury, last Friday was Wm. Moseley, a knight of the razor who runs a tonsorial palace in Keytesville.

Mr. Moseley drove over to Salisbury in company with one of Keytesville's young ladies and when he got back home he was informed that only one of the horses he had driven back belonged to Gribble & Wilke, the livery firm from whom he had hired the rig.

It was learned the next day that in hitching up to Mr. Moseley's vehicle at B. F. Davis' livery stable, in Salisbury, one of Mr. Davis' horses, by mistake, was substituted for one of Gribble & Wilke's and this is how the "swap" happened.

The funny part of the story is that neither Mr. Moseley nor his female companion noticed the mistake. "Billy" says what he knows about horses is not worth bragging on anyway, but when it comes to the ladies he declares that he has "an eye like an eagle."

Wm. Clavin, a farmer living near Indian Grove, had a fine team of mules drowned in the Chariton river, at Dawkins' bridge, on Wednesday of last week. Mr. Clavin and his son had gone to that neighborhood for a load of sand, when young Mr. Clavin drove into the river to water the team of mules he was driving and to swell the tires on the wagon. Unfortunately the young man drove into a deep hole, upsetting the wagon bed which caught young Clavin beneath it, and he would have met a watery grave had he not been rescued by Jack Hurt, who drove up with a load of coal, and hearing young Clavin's cries for help lost not in rendering him needed assistance. Old man Clavin was in the mean time standing on the bank wringing his hands in despair as neither he nor his son could swim. The mules were both drowned.

Last Saturday was a gala day at Moberly for the colored people, the occasion being a grand celebration and barbecue by two dusky secret orders, the Knights of Tabor and the Daughters of the Tabernacle. A special train was run from Brunswick to Moberly to afford colored people who wished to do so an opportunity to take part in the day's festivities. Conspicuous on the special train was Africa's Pride Cornet band, of Brunswick, which helped to enliven the day with good music. Quite a number of Keytesville's colored citizens were in attendance.

## Marriage Licenses.

Wm. Carnes and Miss Lou Etta Nichols; John A. Crockett and Miss Martha Christine Kennedy; G. W. Woolley and Miss Martha Cavanah; John Luntford and Mrs. Sarah Jefferson; Thos. Blake, col., and Mrs. Anna Ferguson, col.

Happy indeed are the homes which contain stoves bought from W. D. Vaughan.

## Brunswick's Next Postmaster.

The Farmers' and Laborers' union is strictly "in it" when it comes to post-offices in Chariton county, as members of that organization have received Congressman Hall's endorsement at Salisbury, Keytesville and Brunswick. The latest of these endorsements is that of G. W. Rucker to be postmaster, at Brunswick, and whose opponents, Messrs. John Knappenberger, John A. Gason and Scott Locke received official notification from Mr. Hall the latter part of last week that he had endorsed Mr. Rucker, who is a farmer residing near Brunswick.

Postmaster Luster's time does not expire until March, 1895, but whether or not he will be permitted to serve out his full term remains to be seen.

Mr. Rucker, we understand, expresses a willingness that Mr. Luster be permitted to remain as postmaster until the expiration of his term of office, and which, in the light of precedent, we think, would be nothing more than right.

Thus it will be observed that Farmers' alliance men, living outside the corporate limits of the three most important towns in Chariton county, have been endorsed for post-masterships by Mr. Hall.

Mr. Hall is to be commended for so liberally recognizing this secret organization which, beyond doubt, exalted him to his seat in congress.

## STOVES! STOVES!

A larger stock and at lower prices than ever before at W. D. Vaughan's.

## Pardon Has Skipped.

J. M. Pardon, who shot several shot-guns in a watermelon patch, near Keytesville, on a piece of ground he had rented of David Hibler, of near Brunswick, and which resulted in the killing of Mr. Hibler's youngest child, Marcella, on Thursday of last week, has skipped.

It seems that the said accident was occasioned by Pardon's having told Mrs. Hibler to go into the patch and select a watermelon, two, evidently forgetting about the guns, which were generally only kept in the melon patch at night and were taken out the next morning. But on the morning which Mrs. Hibler, accompanied by two of her children, entered the premises to get some melons the guns had not been removed. Little "Marcelle," who was in advance of his mother and the other child, sprang the trigger to one of the guns and received the deadly charge of buckshot in his back and neck. One stray shot also struck Mrs. Hibler, inflicting a slight wound.

Pardon ran hurriedly to the scene and picked up the wounded child, of whom he was said to be very fond, and carried the little fellow to the house, but death soon ensued, and Pardon left for parts unknown.

The Hibler family seemed to be aware of the placing of the guns in Pardon's melon patch, but supposed they had been removed last Thursday morning as was the custom. At the coroner's inquest held on the body of the boy the jury held Pardon responsible for the boy's death.

The unfortunate affair is greatly deprecated, and it is to be hoped will serve as a warning to others not to indulge in such deadly practices for the sake of saving a few watermelons, which are nothing compared to a human life.

The little Hibler boy was 4 or 5 years-old instead of 7 or 8 as announced in our account of the accident last week.

## The Missouri Conference.

The Missouri conference of the M. E. Church, South, convened at Monroe City, Wednesday of last week, and continued in session six days. Bishop Haygood, of Georgia, presided, and Rev. John D. Vinell, of St. Louis, acted as secretary. The conference was harmonious and one of the most interesting that has been held in North Missouri for many years. Just before adjourning on Monday morning last, Bishop Haygood announced the appointments for the ensuing year.

Dr. E. K. Miller was continued as presiding elder of this, the Fayette, district. Rev. J. B. Rice was returned to Keytesville, Rev. J. W. Ramsey was returned to Salisbury, while Rev. H. I. Cobb goes to Westville mission vice Rev. B. T. Stith; Rev. J. M. Neal goes to Prairie Hill. Appointments of local interest in the Chillicothe district are the return of Rev. J. A. E. Vaughan to Brunswick station, and the sending of Rev. J. M. Settle to Triplett circuit, vice Rev. W. W. Carhart, who goes to New Florence, Montgomery county. Rev. Stith, who has been on the Westville mission for the past two years, was not given work, owing to there being more preps than holes and he will probably join the St. Louis conference.

C. A. Chapman has been on the indisposed list this week.